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ALKALINE EARTH METAL IONS, AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING  
ALKALINE EARTH METAL IONS, EMPLOYING IT

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.55 and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, applicants hereby bring the following documents to the attention of the examiner. These documents are listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. A copy of the patent, publication or other information listed on the modified PTO form 1449 may be found in the parent application Serial No. 10/093,508.

Please return to the undersigned a copy of the attached PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials in the left column [MPEP § 609] with the next communication.

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